

Expiration of Interclub Trades July 31 Is Inspiration for National League Rumors

MEUSEL TO BE TRADED SAYS BAKER; 3 CLUBS BID FOR STAR HITTER

Phils President Says Outfielder Is of No Value to Team and Will Dispose of Him to New York, Boston or Pittsburgh—Wants Players and Not Cash

There will be a lot of trade talk spilled in the National League this week. Perhaps some will be real, and then again most of it might be what is commonly known as hot air. Clubs will argue about strengthening their lineups and hint that star players will be delivered, and the fans will sit up and congratulate themselves.

The reason for the verbal barrage is the time limit on interclub trades which expires on July 31, which is a way of referring to next Sunday. After that date there will be nothing doing. The players will have to be disposed of through the market, and that is one of the toughest forms of exchange.

On Saturday it was reported that Irish Meusel and Leo Meadows would be sold to the Giants. At first the yard didn't sound good, but later developments point to a sale or trade to some other club.

Meusel's playing days are over, said President Baker. "We are out to trade him and already have offered him to New York, Boston and Pittsburgh. The club giving most in exchange will get him. We want players, however, and not cash."

Therefore, all we can do is await developments, for something is likely to pop before the end of the week. Every ball player would like to go to New York. They like the way the stars are advertised, and also have an idea that vast sums of money are paid to the men who make good.

NO MATTER how good a ball player is, he is of no value to his club if he doesn't produce. Therefore, it might be the best thing for the Phils to trade the sluggers. The St. Louis club has a few needed players.

All the World Loves a Winner. In baseball, the same as everything else, there's nothing that succeeds like success. If a club is down in the race, the good news is that it is just as soon as it steps out from the cellar.

THAT'S the answer in baseball. Put out a winner and top the table. New York is a good baseball team because the clubs are winning. Brooklyn also is good when the Dodgers are in the race.

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HERMAN TACKLES LYNCH FOR TITLE

Pete Gets Chance to Regain Bantam Crown in Brooklyn Tonight

BOTH IN FINE FETTLE

Story of Lynch and Herman As Told by the Statistics

Table with columns for Name, Height, Weight, Age, and other statistics for Lynch and Herman.

Brooklyn, N. Y., July 25.—Immediately after the game between the Dodgers and Braves at Ebbets Field yesterday a squad of fifty carpenters began the work of erecting a ring and transforming the ball park into a boxing club.

A special permit was obtained from the carpenters' union to allow the men to work on Sunday so as to have all ready for the bout between Joe Lynch and Pete Herman for the world's bantamweight championship, which will be held tonight by the International Sporting Club.

Both heroes are reported to be in grand condition for the battle. Lynch is on razor edge and ready for the fight of his life. Herman sailed from England on board the Orforda the day after his knockout victory over Jimmy Higgins, bantamweight champion of England, and has kept himself in tip-top form ever since by training on shipboard.

Pete trained and reached his best condition while crossing the Atlantic. The day after his defeat at the hands of Lynch he set sail for England, trained on the boat, and upon his arrival knocked out England's greatest fighter, Jimmy Wilde. He repeated this performance when he fought Higgins, the British bantamweight champion.

U. S. WINS FRENCH RACE

James Murphy Captures Grand Prix Automobile Contest

Le Mans, France, July 25.—James Murphy, American, won the Grand Prix automobile race here today. The race was won by Murphy, a 20-year-old driver from Detroit, Michigan, who drove a Buick.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS. NATIONAL LEAGUE. New York, 4; Philadelphia, 3. Cincinnati, 7; Chicago, 1. Boston, 10; St. Louis, 2. Pittsburgh, 8; Detroit, 1.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION. St. Paul, 9; Toledo, 3 (first game). Toledo, 2; St. Paul, 1 (second game). Detroit, 4; Toledo, 2. Indianapolis, 12; Columbus, 4 (second game). Indianapolis, 4; Milwaukee, 0 (first game). Milwaukee, 9; Minneapolis, 0 (second game). Kansas City, 1; Louisville, 2 (first game). Louisville, 3; Kansas City, 2 (second game).

TODAY'S SCHEDULE. NATIONAL LEAGUE. New York at Pittsburgh. Only game scheduled. AMERICAN LEAGUE. No games scheduled.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE. RESULTS OF YESTERDAY. Newark, 10; Reading, 7. Reading, 15; Newark, 3 (second game). Jersey City, 6; Baltimore, 4. Baltimore, 3; Buffalo, 3.

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WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND



What May Happen in Baseball Today

Table with columns for Club, W., L., P., C., Win Loss, and other statistics for various baseball clubs.

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CICOTTE ADMITS HE SIGNED PAPER

Black Sox Pitcher Doesn't Remember Whether It Was Immunity Waiver or Confession

SHED TEARS IN JURY ROOM

Chicago, July 25.—Eddie Cicotte, former White Sox pitcher, indicted in the 1919 World Series bribery scandal, was a witness for the State today. Cicotte was called to testify how he had confessed his part in the alleged conspiracy before his indictment by the Grand Jury.

Cicotte said he was introduced to Replogle by Alfred Austrian, counsel for Charles Comiskey, owner of the White Sox. "Austrian," said Cicotte, "said to me: 'Replogle has the goods on you, Eddie. You know this will be a long trial. You don't want your wife and babies here. Now come clean with Replogle and he'll take care of you.'"

"I signed it," said Cicotte, "but I don't remember whether it was an immunity waiver or confession. I don't know what it was."

Under cross-examination Cicotte said he had heard that Billy Maharg's statement in Philadelphia, which the latter told detail of the alleged conspiracy. Harry Grabner, secretary of the White Sox, took him to Austrian's office, he said.

"I don't know what it was," said Cicotte. "I don't know whether it was an immunity waiver or confession. I don't know what it was."

Other questions being investigated include one that the New York gambler is said to have purchased the stolen evidence later offered to sell to a New York newspaper when he found there were no damaging references to himself. The newspaper declined to buy, and efforts of the disappointed gambler to recover his \$10,000 have so far been unavailing.

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WATSON DEFEATED IN TENNIS PLAY

Champion Is Eliminated by Fred Mercur in Straight Sets at Cynwyd

PLAYS COLBURN TOMORROW

The "king" was crowned on the clay courts of the Cynwyd Club today in the play for the Junior Pennsylvania State championship, but it was a back-handed coronation, literally and figuratively.

For Charles Watson, 3d, last year's champion, was laid low in the act of defending his crown by Fred Mercur, Harrisburg's youthful sensation. The play for Mercur was 6-2, 6-0.

Mercur's backhand, forehand and everything else were working in prime play out there in the three titular tennis sets.

Mercur played here about six weeks ago at the University courts, where he was beaten in a tournament there by Harold Colburn, the West Philadelphia High whiz. Mercur's match is anticipated. Colburn advanced today to defeat Mercur.

Mercur is but eighteen years old and got his start the other side of the water, when a mere "child." In 1916 he crossed over to Italy in the hope of entering the play for the Italian championship, but arrived in the land of transportation facilities at the time.

He played Signor Sabbadini, or something like that, and won the championship, and won that match in four sets. At the end of the war the youth marvel returned to this country and looks to be on his way to further triumphs. His experts now have him pegged to win the tournament at Cynwyd.

FIRST SET. Watson, 6-2; Mercur, 2-6. SECOND SET. Watson, 6-0; Mercur, 0-6. THIRD SET. Watson, 6-2; Mercur, 2-6.

JUNIOR PENNSYLVANIA SINGLES. SECOND ROUND. Watson, 6-2; Mercur, 2-6. THIRD ROUND. Watson, 6-2; Mercur, 2-6.

Duffy Lewis Slugs the Ball. Salt Lake City, July 25.—Duffy Lewis, who was named by Washington, leader of his weak hitting, and signed by the Salt Lake Club of the Pacific Coast League, yesterday hit safely in his third consecutive game with the latter club.

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Advertisement for Girard Cigar, featuring a large illustration of a cigar and the text 'America's Foremost Cigar' and 'You'll relish keenly the deep flavored body and fragrance of Girard. To the last whiff Girard is gentle-mild, with the pleasant bouquet of ripe Havana—supremely satisfying to the most exacting cigar taste.'

GOSSIP FROM THE LITTLE LEAGUES AND SEMI-PRO RANKS

THE Hohfeld townsmen, claim to be the first series of the Industrial League, are happily out of the running in the second series as a result of the 2-to-1 victory of General Electric, scored on Saturday. It marked the third defeat for Hohfeld. The pitching of Bacho was again responsible for the victory of the live wires. The previous week he shut out Supplies-Biddle without a hit or run. The I-3-N win of the Fox Motor over Glindt Brothers was also well earned as the motorists banged out a total of fourteen hits.